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SUBJECT: ROAD ON FEFAN

DOTA NO. 649-TT

OTA HAS LEARNED THAT AT REQUEST OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR, TRUK, WHO IN TURN IS ACTING AT REQUEST OF ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER, THE 30TH NAVAL CONSTRUCTION REGIMENT ON GUAM HAS CONTRACTED WITH AIR FORCE CIVIC ACTION TEAM TO BUILD A ROAD ON THE ISLAND OF FEFAN IN THE TRUK LAGOON. THIS IS BEING PAID FOR BY DISTRICT FUNDS. ARTIFACTS -- PREHISTORIC SHELL ADZES AND PIECES OF POTTERY -- ARE BEING DREDGED UP FROM THE REEF AT THE VILLAGE OF SAPOTA AND ARE BEING PURLOINED AND SOLD BY LOCAL VILLAGERS. WE HAVE REPORTS FOR ALL THIS FROM DR. SINOTO, CHAIRMAN OF ANTHROPOLOGY AT THE BISHOP MUSEUM IN HONOLULU, WHO RECEIVED IT FROM AN ANTHROPOLOGY STUDENT WHO WAS ON SITE RECENTLY. THERE HAS BEEN NO COMPLIANCE WITH HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT- PLEASE CONFIRM OR AUGMENT OTA UNDERSTANDING OF ABOVE SITUATION. IF TRUE, PROJECT MUST BE HALTED UNTIL THERE HAS BEEN CONSULTATION WITH HISTORIC PRESERVATION COUNCIL. NEED YOUR RESPONSE ASAP. DOTA SENDS ROBINSON

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